## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1048 By Curtiss

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Mrs. Nyleptha Roberts on the celebration of her 108th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Nyleptha Roberts recently celebrated her 108<sup>th</sup> birthday on March 12, 2006, a milestone that was commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of John and Molly Victoria Bryant, Nyleptha Matilda Roberts was born and raised in White County on Bon Air Mountain, where her father had a good job in the coal mines; and

WHEREAS, a gracious lady who treats both friend and stranger with equal kindness,

Mrs. Roberts is a highly respected member of the Life Care of Sparta family; and

WHEREAS, in 1922, she married her first husband, Aaron Shell, a coal miner, and the couple's blessed union produced three children, Columbus Leon Shell, the late Alvin Johnny Shell and Helen Juanita Harris. After the death of her husband in 1955 she would later marry Hubert Roberts, who passed away in 1986; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Roberts is the beloved grandmother of four wonderful grandchildren and two treasured great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, raised in the church by her parents, Mrs. Roberts attributes her long life to her faith in God, having been a devout Christian for over sixty years; and

WHEREAS, we wish to grasp this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE

CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Mrs. Nyleptha Roberts on the celebration of her 108th birthday and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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